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April 25, 2014

Mr. Ryan Furman
Reports Analysis Division
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street NW
Washington, DC 20463

Dear Mr. Furman:

The Friends of Trey Radel committee (hereinafter Committee?), FEC ID# C00510768, is in receipt of your Request for Additional Information (RFI) dated March 21, 2014 referencing the 2013 Year-End FEC Report (10/01/2013 12/31/2013). The Committees response follows.

One of the memo transactions pertaining to the transfer from the Radel Victory Committee was inadvertently omitted on the original filing. The committee will amend its 2013 Year-End report to include all memo donor transactions related to this transfer.

With regard to the candidate loan dates, the loans remain valid and outstanding and the committee will amend the report to show the correct due dates.

All solicitations to prospective donors include the following statement: Federal law requires us to use our best efforts to collect and report the name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer of individuals whose contributions exceed \$200 in an election cycle.?

If the individual fails to respond to the initial request, the Committee sends a stand-alone follow-up letter requesting the same information. The letter includes a pre-addressed, stamped envelope and contains the following statement:

Federal law requires that we obtain the attached information regarding your occupation and employment. Please complete the attached form and return it to us as soon as possible in the enclosed envelope.?

The Committee then discloses any updated contributor information it receives by filing memo Schedule As in a timely manner with its next regular report or by filing an amended report.

If the individual fails to respond to the Committees requests, the Committee reports donor information pursuant to the guidelines in 11 CFR 104.7(b)(3) and 11 CFR 104.7(b)(4).

Inasmuch as the regulations require the Committee to ask contributors to supply employer/occupation information but do not compel the contributors to comply with the Committees requests, the Committee will file best efforts amendments in an attempt to satisfy both the intent and the substance of 11 CFR 100.12, 11 CFR 104.3, and 11 CFR 104.7. In addition, the Committee can find no guidance in the statute or regulations that allow it to add to or subtract from information that is voluntarily provided to it from its contributors nor is there any indication in the statute or regulations that the descriptions referred to are inadequate listings for employer and/or occupation. Finally, the Committee notes that it will update its employer/occupation data as it is received from donors and makes every effort to secure the requested information from all available sources.

Sincerely,
